



STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICE

BREEDING OF DOGS ACT 1973

APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A LICENCE AUTHORISING
A BREEDING ESTABLISHMENT AT PREMISES IN THE AREA
OF THE COUNCIL

To: Head of Environmental Health
Environmental Health Service
Ebley Mill
Westward Road
Stroud
Glos. GL5 4UB

Telephone No: 01453 766321

I/We _____

carrying on the business under the name of _____

and not for the time being a person (persons) disqualified from keeping a breeding establishment, keeping a dog or a pet shop, from having the custody of animals or from keeping a boarding establishment for animals HEREBY APPLY for a licence under the above mentioned Act authorising me/us to keep a breeding establishment on premises (proposed to be) occupied by me/us at

I/We require the licence to operate as from the _____ day of _____ 20 ____.

A remittance of _____ is enclosed for the licensing fee.

Signature(s) of Applicant(s) _____

Date: _____

Address (if other than above) _____

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<i>Serial No:</i> <i>Considered:</i> <i>Registered:</i> <i>Licence No:</i> <i>Date Licence Granted:</i>	Please return this form duly completed to: STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICE, EBLEY MILL, WESTWARD ROAD STROUD, GLOS GL5 4UB	<u>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</u> Date of Inspection Inspecting Officer <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u> Amount Rec'd Date Rec'd Initials Cost Centre/A/c Code K36 3022 K803 Receipt No Date Issued
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BREEDING OF DOGS ACT 1973

Under the Breeding of Dogs Act 1973 it is an offence to keep a breeding establishment except under the authority of a licence granted for the purpose.

The keeping by any person of a breeding establishment is construed under the Act as the carrying on by that person at premises of any nature (including a private dwelling) a business of breeding dogs with a view to their being sold in the course of such business whether by the keeper thereof or by any other person and they may, on application being made, grant a licence to any person who is not for the time being disqualified.

- (a) under the Breeding of Dogs Act 1973 from keeping a breeding establishment for dogs; or
- (b) under the Pet Animals Act 1951, from keeping a pet shop; or
- (c) under the Protection of Animals (Cruelty to Dogs) Act 1933 from keeping a dog; or
- (d) under the Protection of Animals (Cruelty to Dogs) (Scotland) Act 1934 from keeping a dog; or
- (e) under the Protection of Animals (Amendment) Act 1954, from having the custody of animals; or
- (f) under the Animals Boarding Establishments Act 1963, from the boarding of animals.

In deciding whether to grant a licence the Council are obliged to take into account the need for securing:-

- (a) that the dogs will at all times be kept in accommodation suitable as respects construction, size of quarter, number of occupants, exercising facilities, temperature, lighting, ventilation and cleanliness.
- (b) that the dogs will be adequately supplied with suitable food, drink and bedding material, adequately exercised, and (so far as necessary) visited at suitable intervals.
- (c) that all reasonable precautions will be taken to prevent and control the spread among dogs of infectious or contagious diseases.

Any of the Council's officers or any veterinary surgeon or any veterinary practitioner who is for the time being duly registered may, if authorised to do so by the Council in writing, enter and inspect at all reasonable times any licensed premises and any animals found thereon or anything found therein, for the purpose of ascertaining whether an offence has been/is being committed under the Act.

Normally a licence will relate to the year in which it is granted or the next following year, according to the applicant's requirements, coming into operation in the former case on the date on which it is granted and in the latter case on the 1st January next; and in each case remaining in force until the end of the year to which it relates, unless previously cancelled.

The penalties for offences under the Act include substantial fines. A further penalty is the cancellation of the licence, which may follow conviction for any offence under the Act or under the Protection of Animals Act, 1911, the Pet Animals Act 1951 or the Animal Boarding Establishments Act 1963.

Application for a licence should be made on the form overleaf, which should be forwarded to the Council together with the licensing fee.